



## Science and Technology Directorate Open Platform for Emergency Networks Initiative

## **About Open Platform for Emergency Networks (OPEN)**

OPEN enables secure data exchange for exchanging alerts or incident-related information between disparate systems through the use of standards-based messages. OPEN development is driven by practitioner-defined priorities and requirements. The DM program works closely with the vendor community ensuring effective standards implementation. OPEN gives organizations the <u>freedom to choose</u> software that best suits their needs.

## **OPEN Benefits**

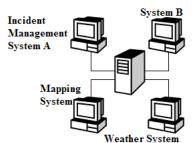
- ➤ OPEN is an interoperability infrastructure designed to facilitate the sharing of alerts and incident information
- ➤ OPEN is an immediate solution to data sharing for DM standards-compliant software applications
- Multiple vendors have developed products that interface with OPEN, facilitating data sharing among customers

## **How OPEN Enables Data Sharing**

- Emergency messing standards implemented as common services
- ➤ Interface specifications for common services are freely available
- ➤ Interface specifications are expressed in Web Services Definition Language (WSDL)
- > System developers build interfaces to OPEN
- > Systems employ the OPEN common services to exchange data among differing systems



As the RCA phono jack/plug enables stereo components to interoperate through a shared component providing <u>standard</u> common services....



Automated systems can also use common services <u>standards</u> to interoperate through a shared component.

DMIS OPEN is "that thing in the middle" in a Common Services Architecture implementing standards that enable data sharing